

In 2010, use the Power of 10 to help animals at Bonnie L. Hays Small Animal Shelter

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Washington County:

1. Donate money to the Bonnie L. Hays Small Animal Shelter –

- The power of \$10 buys two vaccines,

- The power of ten 10-dollar bills (\$100) buys two spay/neuter surgeries,

- The power of twenty-five 10-dollar bills (\$250) buys leukemia and FIV tests for 10 cats.

2. Donate supplies –

- Frontline or Revolution topical flea control saves pets'

lives,

- Gallon bottles of chlorine bleach keeps the shelter disinfected and clean,

- Or, sponsor an event or video project.

3. Donate food –

- Organize a pet-food drive at your work or school,

- Dry and canned good-quality dog and cat food, such as IAMS, Castor & Pollux, Natural Balance, Eukanuba, and Science Diet are preferred.

4. Visit the shelter –

- Got 10 minutes? Stop by the shelter and have fun feed-

ing treats to the dogs and cats.

5. Volunteer –

- Got 10 hours a month? Offer to volunteer to care for the dogs and cats.

6. Become a foster parent –

- Care for a cat and her litter by fostering them temporarily in your home until our shelter finds them a permanent home.

7. Spay/Neuter your pets –

- If your pets are already sterilized, then offer to pay for someone else's pets, such as a family member or neighbor on a fixed income.

8. Keep your pets safe at

home –

- Be sure to keep collars, dog licenses and ID tags on your dogs and cats (even if they are indoors).

9. Teach respect for animals –

- The Golden Rule rules! "Do unto others as you would want them to do unto you." In other words, be kind to others and to pets as you would like them to be kind to you.

10. Adopt a shelter pet! –

- One of the best ways you can help is to adopt a shelter pet if you are truly willing and able to give the pet a forever

home.

For more information on helping the animals, stop by and see how donations help the Bonnie L. Hays Small Animal Shelter provide for the animals. Or, you may view the Bonnie L. Hays Small Animal Shelter's Get Involved Web pages at <http://www.co.washington.or.us/HHS/AnimalServices/Help/index.cfm>

The shelter is open to the public Mondays through Saturdays at 1901 SE 24th Avenue, Hillsboro.

New flag donated by Lions Club accepted by Banks City Council

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ment in Zone 2 will have the greatest impact to the critical intersections projected to fail in 2029.

Planning Commission Liaison Sam VanDyke followed Grille's presentation, reporting that the commission discussed a memorandum from CH2M Hill as well as the information presented by Grille. VanDyke said that the planning commission was "excited to see the effort, and [the information provided by Grille] is a wonderful tool."

VanDyke also informed council that two terms on the Planning Commission are about to expire.

On behalf of the Banks Lions Club, Mel and Becky Clark presented the city with a new U.S. flag. Clark noted that "we serve" is the Lions Club motto. Mayor John Kinsky pointed to the faded and tattered old flag,

which was now neatly folded and laying on the table, and assured everyone that the flag would be properly retired by either the Boy Scouts or the Girl Scouts.

Dawn Soest, who was unable to attend the council meeting, was recognized by the city for more than two years of service on the Banks Tree Board, and for a variety of donations to the Banks Urban Forest.

Awards for the Holiday Lighting Contest were presented by Ray Deeth, Executive Director of the Banks Chamber of Commerce. Greg and Denise Renne won first place; second place (outer city limit winner) went to Elouise Bolle; third place to Joshua Cop; and fourth place to Jeni and Jim Waters. Banks Trail Café won the award for Commercial Property.

Deputy Pat Chertude reported relatively little police activity

in December, which he attributed to the spirit of the holidays. There were 37 calls for service and four arrests, including two for distribution of a controlled substance within 1000 feet of a school. There were also 28 traffic stops and six citations.

City Manager Jim Hough's report included the following:

- Northwest Bicycle Safety Council is applying to the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for a scenic bikeway designation from Beaverton through Banks to Buxton. Since this strategic plan coincides with what the city is working on, Hough is working with a representative of the Safety Council to draft a letter of support for the bikeway designation.

- Banks will be hosting the March 4, 2010, quarterly meeting of the League of Oregon Cities, Small Cities Support Network, Region Two.

- Implementation of Phase II of the Banks Sidewalk Project is in process with a letter to all citizens. The Phase III homeowner compliance notification will follow concerning each sidewalk discrepancy, asking the appropriate property owner to comply.

The City of Banks Reduced Workplace Capacity Plan (H1N1 Policy) was presented by Aaron O'Donnell, a Portland State University graduate stu-

dent who developed the plan as an intern with the city. At the conclusion of O'Donnell's presentation, Hough noted that the student interns work without compensation, except for travel and expenses, adding that before Aaron departs he wants to give him a \$50 gift card as a small token of appreciation for all his work.

A second reading was held of a revision to the Ordinance on Banks Municipal Code regarding gambling and social gaming.

Councilor Pete Edison was re-elected to serve as Council President for 2010.

Shaun Pigott, of Shaun Pigott Associates, gave a brief overview of the Water Rate Study Update - 2010 Final Summary Report. Upon the motion carrying to receive the report and adoption of a resolution revising and setting water rates for the water utility, the counselors extended positive comments about the "nice job/good job" that Pigott performed. Pigott returned the courtesies by expressing that it has been great to work with the city.

The next city council meeting will be held on February 9 at 7:30 p.m.

Bus service four times a day now

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Ridomah Counties. Riders wishing to travel on Wave buses to/from destinations west of Banks are responsible for their own cash fare.

Ride Connection plans to provide additional regular route (no fare) service in early 2010 to compliment the TCTD service times. Preliminary plans are to add early morning and early evening stops (Monday through Friday) in Banks and North Plains, connecting with TriMet at the Hillsboro Transit Center. Contact Terry Watson

(503-528-1732) at Ride Connection for more information. A new 14-passenger handicapped accessible gas/hybrid assist bus will be assigned to this service. The bus was purchased with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds via ODOT Public Transit.

Ride Connection acquired a grant from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) via ODOT Public Transit to place bus shelters in Banks and North Plains. The shelters should be in place by spring 2010 (at Log Cabin Park in Banks and the North Plains Senior Center).

Call the Ride Connection Service Center at 503- 226-0700 Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. or visit the website at www.rideconnection.org. For more information about TCTD Wave service call 800-815-8283 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or go to www.tillamookbus.com.



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